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1. THE DANISH PRESS REPORTED THAT FORMER SWEDISH AGRICULTURAL MINISTER SVANTE LUNDST ANNOUNCED THAT A PROPOSAL HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO THE RIKSDAG TO EXPAND SWEDISH FISHERY LIMITS IN THE BALTIC SEA. THE SWEDES ANTICIPATES DIFFICULT NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION, POLAND AND WITH DENMARK BECAUSE OF BORNHOLM. LUNKDVIST SAYS THE STEP IS NECESSARY BECAUSE OF

THE RECENT ACTION IN THE NORTH SEA AND THE 1976 BALTIC FISHERIES COMMISSION (REFTEL) DURING WHICH THE COMMISSION WANTED TO REDUCE SWEDEN'S FISHING EFFORT IN WHAT SWEDEN CONSIDERS ITS OWN WATERS. UNDER THIS NEW SWEDISH PROPOSAL, THEY WOULD CONTROL 45 PERCENT OF THE BALTIC.

2. THE DIVIDING CENTER LINE WOULD START BETWEEN SWEDEN AND GDR, SWING NORTH OF BORNHOLM, THEN EAST OFF POLAND, AND THEN GO NORTH-NORTHEAST BETWEEN GOTLAND AND SOVIET LITHUANIA. ONE OF THE MAJOR TROUBLE SPOTS WILL BE ALONG THE AREA BETWEEN SOVIET-SWEDEN TERRITORY BECAUSE SWEDEN MEASURES THE MID-LINE FROM THE EASTERN SHORE OF THE ISLAND OF GOTLAND, WHEREAS THE SOVIETS MEASURE FROM THE SWEDISH MAINLAND.

3. THE SWEDES ALSO SPECULATE WHETHER A MID-LINE SHOULD NOT BE EXTENDED IN THE KATTEGAT AND SKGAERRAK. THERE WAS NO INDICATION THE SWEDES ARE CONSIDERING EXTENDING THE MID-LINE BETWEEN FINLAND AND SWEDEN IN THE GULF OF BOTHNIA.
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